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ORLAND RESIDENT INDICTED FOR MAIL THEFT

SACRAMENTO--United States Attorney McGregor W. Scott announced today that a federal grand jury returned a two-count indictment, late yesterday, charging HANNAH SIMONE REED, 29, of Orland, California with mail theft and possession of stolen mail, which she allegedly stole from mailboxes throughout Glenn County, California.

This case was investigated by the Orland Police Department, Glenn County Sheriff's Department, the California Highway Patrol, and the United States Postal Inspection Service.

The indictment alleges that between November 1 and November 10, 2005, REED stole mail from rural mailboxes and possessed stolen mail from at least 21 victims. The stolen mail included over \$17,000 in negotiable instruments.

According to Assistant United States Attorney Matthew Stegman, who is prosecuting the case, if REED is convicted of the charges, she faces a maximum penalty of five years imprisonment and a \$250,000 fine on each count.

The charges are only allegations and the defendant is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt.

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